Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 29 Oct 2021 until 23:59 on Saturday 30 Oct 2021

Forecast Issued on Thursday 28 Oct 2021 at 11:46 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for changeable and often wet weather over the coming days. The greatest uncertainty relates to the timing of the individual areas of rain. Good confidence for colder conditions next week.

Headline for Friday 29 Oct 2021: Rain developing across most parts. Driest in the west. Mainly light winds.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 29 Oct 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Light rain	Cloudy	Light rain	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Cloudy	Light rain showers (night)
Precipitation probability							
20%	40%	30%	40%	60%	60%	20%	40%

Forecast for Friday 29 Oct 2021

Weather: A few passing showers likely through the early hours, these perhaps most likely along the west coast. The morning will then be largely dry, bright or sunny but cloud will thicken from the south to bring a wet afternoon across the hills, although some of the west coast may stay dry throughout. Some heavier spells may develop in the east later. Clearer, drier into the evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 70% falling 40% through afternoon.

Visibility: Any morning showers are unlikely to reduce visibility substantially. A few areas of cloud are likely above around 600m through morning, mainly along the west coast. This will become more extensive through afternoon as rain arrives, and may descend towards 400m in the east. Heavier rain will turn lower slopes hazy. West is best.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	18/22 S	18/22 S	11/14 SE	9/12 SE	10/13 SW	10/14 SW	14/19 S	16/22 S	17/24 S
900	17/21 S	17/21 S	10/13 SE	8/11 SE	9/12 SW	10/14 SW	13/19 S	15/21 S	17/23 S
600	12/17 S	10/15 S	7/10 S	5/8 S	6/10 SW	7/11 SW	8/14 S	10/16 S	10/17 S
300	2/14 S	2/12 S	2/9 SE	1/7 SE	3/9 SW	3/10 SW	4/12 SW	3/14 S	3/16 S
Glen	6/14 SE	4/10 SE	3/6 E	3/5 SE	4/8 SW	4/10 SW	4/11 SW	5/12 SW	5/14 SE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	4/-1	4/-1	3/-0	3/0	3/-0	3/-1	2/-2	2/-3	2/-3
900	4/0	5/0	4/0	4/1	4/1	4/0	3/-1	3/-2	2/-2
600	7/4	7/4	6/4	6/4	6/4	6/4	5/2	5/2	5/1
300	8/8	8/8	7/7	8/7	8/8	8/7	7/6	7/5	6/4
Glen	11/10	11/10	10/10	10/10	11/10	10/10	10/8	9/8	9/8
Freezing Level*	1700m	1600m	1600m	1400m	1300m	1300m	1300m	1300m	1300m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

There is uncertainty in the extent of rainfall, but western parts look set to escape the worst of this. Feeling cold across highest ground, even considering the limited strength in the wind.

Forecast for Saturday 30 Oct 2021

Weather: Dry through the early hours but rain will quickly spread northwards to affect all ranges and some heavier spells are possible within this. Improving conditions by afternoon as this cloud and rain clears north leaving sunshine and scattered showers. Increasingly dry through evening.

Maximum wind: South 20-30mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 20% morning, improving 70%.

Visibility: Very little low cloud initially, but cloud will quickly become extensive above around 500-600m for all ranges as rain arrives and brings tricky navigation conditions. This will lift and break, leaving only occasional patches above 600m thereafter, these often associated with passing showers. Visibility falling to a few kilometers on lower slopes during rain and showers.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 8-10 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 1 or 2 Celsius.
Freezing level: 1200-1400m.

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